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SUBJECT: REACTION OF OAU STATESTO ETHIOPIAN EXECUTIONS

1. WE KNOW FROM EARLIER CONVERSATIONS THAT PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY HAS BEEN EXTREMELY CONCERNED BY THE DEPOSITION AND IMPRISONMENT OF EX-EMPEROR HAILE SELASSIE. WE THINK THE IVORY COAST WOULD SUPPORT, BUT WOULD NOT INITIATE, AN OAU EFFORT VIS-A-VIS THE ETHIOPIAN MILITARY.

2. FRATERNITE-MATIN FEATURED ON ITS INTERNATIONAL PAGE TODAY THE APPEAL BY SALIM AHMED OF TANZANIA AND THE APPEAL BY THE OAU DELEGATIONS TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF U.N. TO INTERCEDE WITH THE ETHIOPIAN AUTHORITIES IN A HUMANITARIAN EFFORT "TO SAVE LIVES." THE ARTICLE ALSO HIGHLIGHTS THE DEMARCHE BY THE USG TO THE ETHIOPIANS. THE WORDING OF THE ARTICLE IS SUCH AS TO INDICATE THAT THE GOIC SUPPORTS BOTH MOVES. DIAMANTI

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